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Off-duty Sheriff's Deputy Punched by Shoplifter at Mayfair Mall

Milwaukee, WI – A 16 year-old suspect was observed by a Milwaukee County Sheriff's Lieutenant stealing an iTouch device valued at \$300.00 from a store at Mayfair Mall on Saturday. The 44-year old officer, Lt. William Brown, grabbed the suspect by the arm and told him to put it back.

The suspect threw a punch at the head of the deputy who secured the suspect's head and escorted him out of the store with the assistance of an off-duty officer from the New Berlin Police Department and an off-duty officer from the Milwaukee Police Department.

The suspect continued to resist arrest, requiring the officers to take him to the floor to be emergency handcuffed. The suspect will be charged with Retail Theft and Battery to the off-duty lieutenant who sustained minor injuries to his head. The officer did not require hospitalization.

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